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The Mississippi Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) is closely monitoring the projected path of Tropical Storm Isidore. The following information is being provided to citizens to aid in their safe response to Tropical Storm Isidore.

1. Schools will be closed on Thursday, September 26, 2002 in the following counties:

Covington County

Jones County

Lamar County

Marion County

Forrest County

Lumberton Schools

Petal School District

2. **HARRISON COUNTY** - A break in a water main will require shutting off the water in part of western Gulfport tonight. The break is in Gulfport near the water tower between US Hwy. 49 and 30th Avenue just above the railroad tracks.

Water to portions of the city south of 28th Street and west of US Hwy. 49 will be off from 5:30 p.m. until the repair is complete. City officials hope the water will be back on around midnight.

The break was caused by a construction mishap and is unrelated to the weather.

3. The Cities of Gulfport, Long Beach, and Pass Christian are installing a curfew from 10:00 p.m. on 9/25/02 until 6:00 a.m. on 9/26/02. City Officials with the concurrence of Harrison County Civil Defense have determined that street flooding and possible debris on the roads will make it too dangerous for any non-emergency travel. The curfew is in addition to the City of Biloxi's curfew that is in effect from dusk to dawn on 9/25/02.

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